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For System and Method of Parallel Pattern Matching

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

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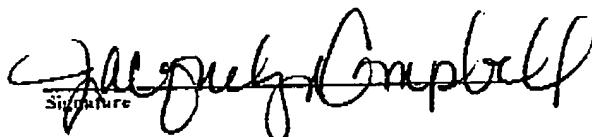
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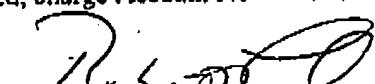
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action dated February 14, 2006. Please enter the amendments shown herein.

- Claim amendments begin on page 2; and
- Remarks begin on page 3.